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**Subject:** City Council Update

We have eight action items for your consideration at next Tuesday night's meeting. The first action item is to seek your approval for the purchase of a new trackless train to be used at all of our festivals and events. The cost of the train is just under \$35,000. The train we have currently was purchased used several years ago and has served us well throughout the years. We find ourselves spending more and more time keeping it running while some parts are becoming harder to find to the point of having to fabricate them. The train has added so much to our events, especially Christmas in the park and Freedom Fest. The new train will have a built in PA system and power generator for lighting needs. We had considered installing a train track that would tie together City Park, Freedom Trail Park, and Chisholm Trail Park that could be used as an amusement ride throughout the year. However that seemed to be more appropriate for our new park where we have more unobstructed room.

The second action item is to accept the 2014 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) from the Oklahoma Department of Commerce in the amount of \$64,567.00. This amount represents a slight increase from our 2013 grant. CDBG started in the late 1960's and is still essentially the same program. Oklahoma has nine cities (50,000 population or bigger) that receive their own set-aside. Everyone else gets their funding through several different set-asides within the Small Cities Program. We are fortunate to get an annual appropriation that we match dollar for dollar. Also, the only area within our City limits that qualifies for CDBG is north of Main St., west of SH 4, and east of 11<sup>th</sup> St.

The third action item is to award the contract for the replacement of the roof on the Community Center to Universal Roofing and Sheet Metal in the amount of \$207,180 to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund as budgeted. Our budgeted amount was \$350,000 because the Engineers Estimate had indicated that amount. In any case, the roof will be much less than anticipated, \$142,820 less than anticipated.

The fourth action item is to accept the Maintenance Bond for the water and sewer lines for the development just south of Christian Brothers Automotive known as Garth Brooks IV. The fifth action item is to release the Letter of Credit that was provided to the City in the amount of \$112,000 to guarantee the work.

The sixth and seventh action items relate to the fiber optic cable being installed to serve the Yukon Public Schools. These are done with Revocable Permits that the City Manager signs. However, there are four conditions that we would like to include in the permit itself. First, Unite Private Networks will be responsible for the relocation of the cable along SH 4 to serve Surrey Hills Elementary School. Second, Unite Private Networks will provide a statement from the contractor and OG&E according to standards and codes for the installation over roadways. Third, a City inspector will be present during all points of the installation. And fourth, the City will have to approve all cable coils provided as part of the installation. After Council approves the conditions

you will be asked to approve the Building Permit, Applications to Construct with the right-of-way, and the specially conditioned Revocable Permit and authorize the City Manager to approve such applications.

The eighth and final action item is your consideration of an ordinance amending the employee retirement system , defined benefit plan to incorporate the definition of spouse, providing for an effective date, and providing for repealer and severability and declaring an emergency.

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